## **Appendix Table 7-17**

## Public assessment of whether science makes life change too fast: 1979-2014

## (Percent)

SOURCES:

| Assessment        | 1979 (<br>n =<br>1,635) | 1983 (<br>n =<br>1,615) | 1985 (<br>n =<br>1,986) | 1988 (<br>n =<br>2,041) | 1990 (<br>n =<br>2,005) | 1992 (<br>n =<br>1,995) | 1995 (<br>n =<br>2,006) | 1997 (<br>n =<br>2,000) | 1999 (<br>n =<br>1,882) | 2001 (<br>n =<br>1,574) | 2004 (<br>n =<br>2,025) | 2008 (<br>n =<br>2,021) | 2012 (<br>n =<br>2,256) | 2014 (<br>n =<br>2,130) |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Strongly agree    | 9                       | 6                       | 3                       | 3                       | 3                       | 6                       | 3                       | 4                       | 3                       | 4                       | 5                       | 10                      | 9                       | 11                      |
| Agree             | 44                      | 43                      | 41                      | 37                      | 34                      | 32                      | 34                      | 32                      | 38                      | 34                      | 28                      | 37                      | 33                      | 40                      |
| Disagree          | 40                      | 44                      | 51                      | 55                      | 56                      | 54                      | 56                      | 55                      | 53                      | 53                      | 55                      | 43                      | 51                      | 40                      |
| Strongly disagree | 4                       | 6                       | 2                       | 3                       | 4                       | 6                       | 4                       | 6                       | 4                       | 5                       | 11                      | 7                       | 5                       | 7                       |
| Don't know        | 3                       | 2                       | 3                       | 2                       | 3                       | 2                       | 3                       | 3                       | 2                       | 3                       | 2                       | 3                       | 3                       | 2                       |

NOTES: Responses to *Science makes our way of life change too fast.* Percentages may not add to 100% because of rounding. For 2006 data, see *Science and Engineering Indicators 2008*, Appendix Table 7-15. For 2010 data, see *Science and Engineering Indicators 2012*, Appendix Table 7-22.

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